

Prep Blog Review: 5 Easy DIY Projects For Preppers

Those who are seeking to be self-sufficient and prepared for any disaster could never have enough ideas to turn into DIY projects. Still the ones we like most are those projects that will come in handy when SHTF, namely about water, food or defense.

We found 5 DIY preps that are affordable and can be accomplished over the weekend, with just a bit of labor, the proper know-how, and a few minimal investments.

1. How to Turn a 5 Gallon Bucket into a Solar Still



In this day and age, we have plumbing and faucets. We have our own water bills and water heaters. We also have our own water pipelines which connects with the city's or county's pipeline. We drink our water from our faucets.

We may have water filters so that we may stay away from unwanted bacteria and particles. But what happens if an earthquake or a natural disaster occurs and it destroys the pipelines?"

Read more on [Ask a Prepper](#).

2. The Durable, 3-Step Off-Grid Oven You Can Build In Less Than An Hour



“I must tell you: I am no survival expert. But my husband and I love the outdoors, and sustainable living is a major part of our lives.

If it’s not building a rocket stove in our backyard, it’s baking cakes on the beach. Experimenting and building our own gear is just our way of life, so when we moved off-grid, the habit came with us – and so did our love for baking. Ready for the challenge of building an off-grid oven, we started experimenting with baking techniques.”

Read more on [Off the Grid News](#).

3. How to Make Homemade Extracts



“If you do a lot of baking or homemade cooking, you will use a lot of extracts.

Your needs can range from homemade cookies, french toasts, homemade coffee creamers and so on. Buying commercial extracts is *usually* okay, but you take the chance with it being full of corn syrup and artificial flavor. Why spend the money when you can make it at home yourself? They are great hostess or holiday gifts as well. I like to use these swing top bottles for storage and when gifting. It just adds that homesteady flair to me. But, in reality, you can just use plain old mason jars to make and store your extracts in. Here’s how to get started making your own extracts.”

Read more on [The Homesteading Hippy](#).

4. How to Make a Powerful Bow in Your Garage for \$15



“One of the benefits of archery is that in the long run, it’s not a very expensive hobby. Unlike firearms, you don’t need to spend an arm and a leg on ammunition to maintain your proficiency.

And since bows aren’t as loud or destructive as firearms, there’s a good chance that you won’t need to pay to visit an archery range unless you live in the city. Your backyard would be sufficient for that.

Read more on [Ready Nutrition](#).

5. How to Make a Cheap Homemade DIY Chicken Brooder



"Every couple of years we add a few chickens to our flock, most of the time we just use a plastic storage bin as a brooder because we only get a couple of chickens. This time was a little different. This time we got 12 chickens and needed more room, so I needed a way to build a cheap homemade DIY chicken brooder that would stay warm, and be roomy enough as the chicks got bigger."

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